



## Keith Stein Blue Thunder Marching Band

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Greetings Blue Thunder Marching Band Alumni,

I hope this letter finds you well! I am very excited to announce events in celebration of the Blue Thunder's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! We are still working out some details since an unkind football schedule has made scheduling this event challenging. In order to make your time in town as enjoyable as possible, we have decided to host a two evening Celebration.

To begin we will host all Blue Thunder Alumni interested in joining us at the game vs. New Mexico on Thursday evening, September 14<sup>th</sup>, kick off is scheduled for 6:00pm. We plan to have everyone in seats next to the Blue Thunder in the north east corner of the end zone. Your entrance to the game will include the limited edition 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary shirt.

Please find a very rough outline of what we envision the schedule to look like below. I'm sure times and events will change when we are able to work out more details as the date gets closer.

### Tentative Schedule of Events:

#### Thursday, September 14

- 3:00pm Registration at the Keith & Catherine Stein Band Hall
- 4:00pm Brief Meet and Greet in the Band Room
- 4:45pm Depart for Stadium with the Blue Thunder-Follow for Tailgate parade if you wish
- 5:40pm Pre-game with the first two Drum Majors of the Blue Thunder conducting the National Anthem!
- 6:00pm Kick off
- 8:00pm Halftime- Those attending will come to the track to watch the Blue Thunder and be recognized
- 9:30pm Game Over

Due to the lack of available social time on Thursday's game day schedule, we also plan to have a social gathering on Friday evening, September 15<sup>th</sup>. Below is the information we have at this time, more to follow as details are finalized for those that RSVP.

#### Friday, September 15

6:00pm Social gathering scheduled in the new Alumni and Friends Center on campus. Stein Distributing Company has generously agreed to donate adult beverages and we are working to provide as much food as possible for the event as well as sharing memories of the Blue Thunder over the years. We may ask for donations to help defray costs, but we will look for sponsorships as well. If you're interested in helping sponsor the gathering, please contact the band office.

**Cost:** Cost to attend and sit next to the band on game night is \$45. This will include a ticket to the game and special 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary shirt. No additional cost to attend the social.

**Registration:** We realize the notice for this event is short, but it has been a long process in making this event a reality! Please go to the Blue Thunder website: [thunder.boisestate.edu](http://thunder.boisestate.edu) and click on the "Alumni Information" tab along the left side. You will be directed to a webpage to register and make payment for attending, along with an RSVP for the no-charge social. If you wish to bring family to the game please be sure to pay for each individual wishing to attend! Also, please be sure to update your contact information through the link provided. We will only process and accept those individuals who have completed payment by Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup>. We must set the cut off date early so we can order appropriate attire for you and notify athletics of how many seats we'll need to reserve. Sorry, we will not be able to accommodate individuals that wish to register after August 18<sup>th</sup>.

Please help us spread the word about this event as I know it has been a few years since there was a Blue Thunder alumni gathering. I greatly look forward to meeting many Blue Thunder alumni and reconnecting with those of you that are recent graduates! I hope that everyone will be able to join us on Friday evening when we'll have more time to socialize, feel free to RSVP and attend the Social even if you can't attend the game.

Best Wishes and GO BRONCOS!  
Joe Tornello

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